

TOWN WARRANT

TO: Frank Ross, resident in the Town of Owls Head, in the County of Knox

Greetings:

In the name of the State of Maine, you are hereby directed to notify the inhabitants of the Town of Owls Head, qualified by law to vote on this town's affairs, to assemble in the Owls Head Community Building on the 24th day of August, 2009, at 7:00 P.M. to act upon the following articles:

- ARTICLE 1 - To choose a Moderator to preside over the meeting.
ARTICLE 2 - To choose a Selectman for a three-year term.
ARTICLE 3 - To choose three Assessors for the ensuing year.
ARTICLE 4 - To choose three Overseers of the Poor for the ensuing year.
ARTICLE 5 - To choose a Road Commissioner for the ensuing year.
ARTICLE 6 - To choose a member for the Town Council for a three-year term.
ARTICLE 7- To choose a Harbor Master for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE 8 - GENERAL GOVERNMENT

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for each of the following general government activities:

Recommend

A. Selectmen's Salary/Car Allowance (3@\$2715.88; Chairman \$653.93)	\$	8,801.57
B. Assessor's Salary/Car Allowance (3@\$278.72; Chairman \$265.79)	\$	1,101.96
C. Overseer of the Poor Pay/Car Allowance	\$	476.57
D. Solid Waste Member	\$	276.36
E. Tax Collector	\$	26,986.00
F. Treasurer	\$	9,028.00
G. Town Clerk	\$	1,494.00
H. Harbor Master/Dep. Salary	\$	3,992.00
I. Code Enforcement Officer/Dep. Salary	\$	10,377.00
J. Public Health Officer	\$	274.00
K. Registrar of Voters	\$	432.00
L. Office Clerical/Accounting	\$	24,720.00
M. Clerical Help	\$	2,000.00
N. Tax Bills/Maps	\$	3,500.00
O. Postage	\$	1,500.00
P. Assessor's Agent Salary	\$	11,940.00
Q. General Insurance	\$	12,000.00
R. Health Insurance/Employee Benefits	\$	20,000.00
S. Unemployment Insurance	\$	1,350.00
T. Utilities (Community Bldg.)	\$	10,000.00
U. Maintenance/Repairs (Community Bldg.)	\$	4,000.00
(Fire Station)	\$	2,000.00
V. Janitor	\$	3,511.00
W. Supplies	\$	3,000.00
X. Lien Discharge Fees	\$	1,500.00
Y. Volunteer Reimbursement	\$	100.00
Z. Office Equipment	\$	1,000.00
AA. Advertising	\$	1,000.00
BB. Elections	\$	1,000.00
CC. Legal	\$	4,000.00
DD. Payroll Taxes Expense	\$	9,270.00

EE. Audit	\$	7,700.00
FF. Town Report/ Newsletter	\$	1,700.00
GG. Reimburse Vehicle Use	\$	1,500.00
HH. Dues/Fees	\$	9,000.00
II. Update Maps	\$	3,500.00
JJ. New Fire Department Septic System	\$	16,000.00
Total General Government	\$	220,030.46

ARTICLE 9 - PUBLIC SAFETY

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for each of the following safety activities:

A. Fire		
1. Payroll	\$	20,182.00
2. Equipment	\$	12,388.00
3. Memberships/ Subscriptions	\$	800.00
4. Training	\$	2,000.00
5. Insurance	\$	5,000.00
6. Dispatching	\$	31,642.00
7. Fuel	\$	850.00
8. Supplies	\$	2,000.00
9. Maintenance & Repairs (Fire Dept. Equipment)	\$	5,050.00
10. Exams	\$	1,000.00
11. Utilities (Fire Station)	\$	7,500.00
12. Maps/Signs	\$	1,500.00
13. Fire Apparatus	\$	10,735.00
14. EMA Director	\$	500.00
15. 911 Officer	\$	500.00
Total Fire	\$	101,647.00
B. Hydrants	\$	13,500.00
C. Street Lights	\$	11,000.00
D. Ambulance/First Aid Equipment	\$	65,408.00
E. Animal Control Expense	\$	1,800.00
F. Animal Control Salary	\$	3,488.00
Total Public Safety	\$	196,843.00

ARTICLE 10 - PUBLIC WORKS

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for each of the following public works activities:

A. Town Roads	\$	82,047.00
B. Town Road Supplies	\$	6,800.00
C. Road Commissioner Salary	\$	839.00
D. Snow Removal	\$	101,400.00
E. Salt/Sand	\$	40,000.00
F. Solid Waste/ Recycling	\$	126,000.00
G. Septic Waste	\$	2,500.00
H. Public Access/Waterfront	\$	3,000.00
I. Cemeteries-		
Maintenance/Repairs/Mowing	\$	11,400.00

New Cemetery	\$	-0-
K. Plumbing Inspector	\$	839.00
L. Stump Dump		
Attendant Salary	\$	11,623.00
Expenses	\$	50,000.00

Total Public Works	\$	436,448.00
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ARTICLE 11 - HUMAN SERVICES

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for human services:

A. Human Service Agencies	\$	500.00
B. Welfare	\$	3,000.00
Total Human Services	\$	3,500.00

ARTICLE 12 - UNCLASSIFIED

To see what sum of money the Town will vote to appropriate for unclassified expenses:

A. Library	\$	
B. Contingency	\$	1,000.00
C. Abatements	\$	10,000.00
Total Unclassified	\$	11,000.00

Expense totals for Warrant Articles 9 through 12	\$	867,821.46
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ARTICLE 13 - To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the following funds to reduce the Town's 2009-2010 tax commitment:

TOWN OF OWLS HEAD REVENUE BUDGET

Vehicle Excise Tax	\$	300,000.00
Boat Excise Tax	\$	9,000.00
Property Tax Interest	\$	12,500.00
Local Road Assistance	\$	16,675.00
State Revenue Sharing	\$	71,442.00
Interest, Misc. and All Other	\$	63,836.00
Mooring Fees	\$	3,000.00
Surplus	\$	-0-
Homestead Exemption	\$	27,000.00

TOTAL	\$	503,453.00
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ARTICLE 14 - To see if the Town will vote to raise from general property taxes the amounts voted in the preceding Articles 9-12 inclusive to be reduced by the amounts voted in Article 13.

ARTICLE 15 - To see if the Town will vote to accept the categories of funds listed below as provided by the "Maine State Legislature"; State Revenue Sharing; Education, Certification Block Grant; Urban Rural Initiative Program (Local Road Assistance); Tree Growth Refund; Park Fee Sharing; Veterans Exemption Reimbursements; Snowmobile Registration; General Assistance; Library; and any and all kinds of property tax relief.

ARTICLE 16 - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to negotiate and sign contracts as necessary for budgeted services.

ARTICLE 17 - To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to transfer funds from unexpended balances and surplus if necessary.

ARTICLE 18 - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Tax Collector to accept the payment of taxes not yet assessed.

ARTICLE 19 - To see if the Town will vote to adopt the following in regard to the collection of taxes; the first installment will become due and payable September 30, 2009, and interest will be charged at 9.000% annually on all accounts unpaid after October 30, 2009. The second installment will become due and payable March 15, 2010, and interest will be charged at 9.000% annually on all accounts for the second installment unpaid after April 15, 2010. Delinquents will be dealt with according to the law provided for that purpose.

ARTICLE 20 - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen, on behalf of the Town, to sell and dispose of any real estate acquired by the Town for nonpayment of taxes thereon, such terms as they may deem advisable, and to execute quit-claim deeds for such property. Property which, in the opinion of the Selectmen, best serves the interest of the Town by remaining Town-owned property need not be sold.

ARTICLE 21 - To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Municipal Officers to sign quitclaim property deeds for properties that the Town does not claim as tax-acquired property and for which the Town has no record of taxes being owed, but on which there are no discharged municipal tax liens. The purpose of said quitclaim deeds would be for clearing the title only.

ARTICLE 22 - To see if the Town will vote to accept and appropriate for the purposes of which they are received the proceeds of all grants made to the Town during the Town's fiscal year by the federal or state government, their agencies and authorities; and to see if the Town will vote to authorize the municipal officers on behalf of the Town to apply for such grants, provided that any necessary matching funds be appropriated by Town Meeting and that any substantive conditions, other than standard grant condition regarding spending only for the purpose for which the grant is made, be approved by Town Meeting. Nondiscrimination, payment of prevailing wages, and similar administrative matters, must also be approved and accepted by Town Office.

ARTICLE 23 - To see if the Town will vote to increase the property tax levy limit established for Owls Head by State law in the event that the municipal budget approved under the preceding articles will result in a tax commitment that is greater than that property tax levy limit.

ARTICLE 24 - To see if the Town will vote to accept the following names for private roads in Owls Head:

Itssocozy Lane - Off Canns Beach Rd On Left
Mimilou Way - Off Ash Point Dr BTWN So Shore & Dublin
January Lane - Off So Shore Dr Before Cripple Creek
Chara Lane - Off Powder Shed Lane On Right
Long Haul Lane - Off Town Clerk Road On Left
Dory Lane - Off Ash Point Dr BTWN So Shore Dr & Dory Lane
Knoll Road - Off So Shore Dr Across From Birchmont St
Gigi's Place - Off Ash Point Dr After Mimilou Way
Harley Lane - Off Ilvonen Lane On Left
Stellar Blossom Way - Off Ash Point Dr by Community Building

ARTICLE 25 To see if the Town will vote to accept as a gift a good and sufficient deed from Ellen H. Bray granting to the Inhabitants of the Town of Owls Head (Town) a parcel of land located on North Shore Drive and an easement for a septic system to be located on another parcel of land on North Shore Drive. The parcel of land to be given to the Town shall be bounded and described as follow:

Beginning at stake and stones on the West side of North Shore Drive at land now or formerly of Susan D. Lincoln (see deed recorded in Knox County Registry of Deeds Book 3502, Page 133); thence South 43 degrees West two hundred (200) feet to a 5/8 inch rebar painted orange set on line of other land of Ellen H. Bray; thence South 44 degrees East still by other land of Ellen H. Bray one hundred ninety seven (197) feet to a 5/8 inch rebar painted orange; thence North 49 degrees 30 minutes East one hundred twenty five (125) feet to the southeast corner of land owned by the Town of Owls Head (see deed recorded in Knox County Registry of Deeds Book 380, Page 414); thence North 40 degrees 30 minutes West one hundred (100) feet along said property of Town of Owls Head to a drill hole in ledge being the Southwest corner of said Town of Owls Head property; thence North 49 degrees 30 minutes East seventy five (75) feet along said property of Town of Owls Head to the West side of North Shore Drive; thence North 44 degrees West (as the road runs) one hundred twenty (120) feet (more or less) along North Shore Drive to the place of beginning. Being a portion of the land described in deed of Maynard James Bray to Maynard James Bray (now deceased) and Ellen H. Bray dated November 21, 2003 and recorded in Knox County Registry of Deeds, Book 3116, Page 257.

The easement to be given to the Town shall be as follows:

An easement and right to enter upon a portion of the property of Ellen H. Bray, hereafter described, situated in said Town of Owls Head, and to thereon construct, install and lay, and thereafter inspect, repair, maintain, remove and replace, if necessary, a septic tank and leach field sufficient to service the fire house of the Town of Owls Head, with pipes and lines connecting the same to the septic tank and leach field, with all the fixtures and appurtenances necessary thereto, and to do such things on the property as are reasonably necessary for any of the above purposes, but for no other purposes. This easement is granted on the condition that, and by acceptance of this conveyance the grantee agrees that, in the course of any construction, maintenance, or repair activity grantee, its successors and assigns, will minimize any disturbance of the earth, vegetation, and improvements of grantor located on or adjacent to the said premises, and following completion of any construction, maintenance, or repair activity that requires such disturbance, grantee will return the earth, vegetation and improvements of grantor as near as possible to

the condition in which they were prior to the start of such construction, maintenance or repair. Said property of Ellen H. Bray being subject to this easement being described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the West side of North Shore Drive located at the northeast corner of the said land owned by the Town of Owls Head (see deed recorded in Knox County Registry of Deeds Book 380, Page 414): then South 49 degrees 30 minutes West to the southeast corner of said land owned by the Town of Owls Head; then South 40 degrees 30 minutes East by other land of Ellen H. Bray to a 5/8 inch rebar painted orange; then North 49 degrees 30 minutes East seventy five (75) feet to a 5/8 inch rebar painted orange set on the West side of North Shore Drive; thence North 44 degrees West (as the road runs) along North Shore Drive to the place of beginning. Being a portion of the land described in deed of Maynard James Bray to Maynard James Bray (now deceased) and Ellen H. Bray dated November 21, 2003 and recorded in Knox County Registry of Deeds, Book 3116, Page 257.

This easement shall be appurtenant to the property of the Town of Owls Head described in the deed recorded in the Knox County Registry of Deeds in Book 380, Page 414, and to other property of the Town of Owls Head to be acquired with this easement.

ARTICLE 26 To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to retain the revenue for 2003, 2005, 2006 and 2007 Snowmobile Club State reimbursement since the club is inactive at this time.

ARTICLE 27 To see if the Town will vote to authorize the engineering of a sand and salt shed not to exceed \$11,600.00

ARTICLE 28 To see if the Town will vote to approve an ordinance entitled "Ordinance for the Creation and Regulation of the Owls Head Cemetery".

The Selectmen give notice that they will be in session at the Owls Head Community Building at 6:30 P.M. with the Registrar of Voters for the purpose of correcting the list of voters.

Given under our hands on this ____ day of August, 2009.

Nancy Colson
Nancy Colson

Richard Carver
Richard Carver

Linda Post
Linda Post

Selectmen, Town of Owls Head

A true copy of the warrant

Attest


Susan Wilson
Susan Wilson, Town Clerk

RETURN OF WARRANT

Owl's Head, Maine

August 14th, 2009

Pursuant to the within Warrant to me directed, I have notified and warned the inhabitants of said Town, qualified as herein expressed, to meet at said time and place, and for the purposes therein named, by posting an attested copy of said Warrant at the door of Town Hall, the Fire Station and the Post Office bulletin board in said Town, being public and conspicuous places in said Town, on the 14th day of August, 2009, being at least seven days before the meeting.



Resident of Owls Head, Maine